

House Resolution No. 4108

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are pleased and proud to pause in the course of their diverse daily activities to recognize Missouri institutions that have distinguished themselves, bringing pride and prestige to the great state of Missouri; and

Whereas, the member now pause to recognize the Fenton Fire Protection District, which has earned highly coveted Accredited Agency status with the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI) by meeting the criteria established through the CFAI's voluntary self-assessment and accreditation program; and

Whereas, the Fenton Fire Protection District is the first fire department in St. Louis County to achieve accreditation and only the second in the state of Missouri, and nationwide there are only 121 agencies that have received International Agency Accreditation status with the CFAI and the Center for Public Safety Excellence; and

Whereas, the Fenton Fire Department was officially established in 1932 because of two devastating fires in an eight-block area now known today as "Old Town", beginning operation with only one fire truck staffed by volunteers; and

Whereas, in 1959, the department became a tax-supported fire district, allowing them to staff the trucks with full-time, paid personnel as well as maintaining a volunteer staff, and the fire district ultimately phased out the volunteers as budgets allowed more full-time personnel; and

Whereas, today the Fenton Fire Protection District maintains four stations serving a population of 65,000, covers 26 square miles, and employs 62 personnel all cross-trained as firefighters, EMT's, and paramedics; and

Whereas, the Fenton Fire Protection District is proud to boast a rating an ISO (Insurance Service Office) rating of 3 which is the "Best" rating possible in St. Louis County:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to the Fenton Fire Protection District on this illustrious occasion; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Fenton Fire Protection District.

Offered by _____
Representative Dwight Scharnhorst
District No. 93

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4108, adopted September 10, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker